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Title: TAPE REEL ASSEMBLY WITH RADIALY SYMMETRIC DEFORMING  
TAPE WINDING SURFACE

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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Dear Sir:

This Response is in reply to the Final Office Action mailed August 26, 2005. Please  
amend the claims as follows: